

Cooperstown Community Activities, Cooperstown, North Dakota

The Cooperstown Community Activities Authority (CCAA) offers youth alternative programs focusing on health and education. 14 AmeriCorps members serve in 4 after school programs, 1 child care and 3 parks and recreation programs. Additionally, the AmeriCorps members will leverage 40 additional volunteers. The goals of the program include guiding children to academic improvement through healthy behavior and effective study habits. Strengthening early childhood developmental areas such as social, emotional, physical, and cognitive and language development. For more information, contact Amber Monson at 701-797-3530 or at ccaaweecare@midconetwork.com



North Dakota Read Program—Fargo, North Dakota www.ndseec.com/readingcorps

North Dakota Reading Corps is a multi-region initiative to help every child become a successful reader by the end of third grade. The program places AmeriCorps members as literacy tutors in Fargo, Jamestown, West Fargo, Mandan, and Bismarck schools plus three child care centers to implement researched-based early literacy efforts to help struggling readers. Tutors work one-one one with students who are below proficiency in reading. Reading Corps tutors serve 15 or 20 hours per month August through May. Tutors receive training on program's curriculum and receive multiple layers of coaching support to help them in their service to students. Contact: Jolene Garty gartyj@ndseec.com, 701-446-3173

Grand Forks Housing Authority—Grand Forks, North Dakota

CSI: Grand Forks is a program that aims to provide educational support to elementary-aged students in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Two types of AmeriCorps members provide direct service with youths in two different settings. Tutors actually go into a public school, working with children one-on-one for thirty minute periods. The other members provide homework help, mentorship, and positive supports to children in an after school program setting, which runs from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm. The location of the after school program is at LaGrave Learning Center. Through lesson-planning, assessments, motivational surveys, and with the help of many volunteers, the members are able to provide an opportunity for growth for the children served, making a difference in their own lives, those of the children/families served, and the community as a whole. The program coordinator for CSI: Grand Forks is Makenzi Smith, Resident Service Coordinator and AmeriCorps Program Coordinator at LaGrave Learning Center, 832 4th Ave. S., Grand Forks, ND, 58201. Email: mrsmith@lagrave.com or familysc@lagrave.com Phone: 701-795-6300 (LaGrave Learning Center).

YMCA of Cass & Clay Counties—Fargo, North Dakota www.ymcacassclay.org

The YMCA of Cass and Clay Counties is the largest child care provider in the Fargo-Moorhead metro area and was voted the top child care provider in the FM Metro area in 2014. Our AmeriCorps members are an integral part of this success. The majority of our members are placed in our School Age Programs as mentors to work with children in small groups or on an individual basis to promote improved behaviors and skills that translate into academic success. A smaller number of our members are placed as Healthy Living Coaches who give health and nutrition coaching to small groups and individuals. These coaches show our youth that being active and making healthy nutrition choices is fun! A great way to see our AmeriCorps members in action and hear directly from them is to watch our 2014 recruitment video which may be found here: <http://youtu.be/gpyfp6RQyfs> We are actively recruiting individuals with a desire to give back AND make a difference in a child's life. Contact: Zanik Bartelt, AmeriCorps Coordinator 701.356.1467 or Zanik.Bartelt@ymcacassclay.org

Youthworks—Bismarck and Fargo, North Dakota www.youthworksND.org

Youthworks utilizes approximately 25 AmeriCorps Members annually to provide direct services to at-risk youth and homeless young adults at its offices in Bismarck and Fargo, North Dakota. Members provide one-to-one mentoring, small group mentoring, homework assistance and supervision to clients served by the agency. Youthworks offers excellent training, flexible scheduling and a supportive work environment. If interested in being a Member at Youthworks, please contact Joan Neilan in Fargo at 701-232-8558 or Lauren Bosch in Bismarck at 701-202-9889 to schedule a time to visit the office and talk about what AmeriCorps has to offer.

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